

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method for accessing material using an entity-locked secure registry is described. A host includes material encrypted with at least one content key, a secure registry encrypted with a registry key and storing access and other information for the encrypted material, and a control module configured to decrypt the secure registry for retrieval of the access and other information if a correct entity identification is received.

1. A method for accessing material, comprising:
receiving a request for the material;
decrypting a secure registry with a registry key to obtain access information;
retrieving the material from a host based on the access information;
decrypting the material with a content key to obtain the material;
providing the material to a user.